

Major Gen: *Poyntz's* ³⁸⁵⁰ ₃₄₈

LETTER

TO

The Honorable *William Lenthall* Esq;
Speaker of the Honorable House
of COMMONS:

OR,

A true Relation of the Storming and
taking of all the Works and Stables
of BELVOYR-CASTLE.

Together with a Letter from Adjutant Gen:
Sandys, concerning the same Fight, wherein the
Enemy had no Quarter granted them.

Ordered by the Commons assembled in Parliament, That
these Letters be forthwith printed and published.

H: Elfyng, Cler. Parl. D. Com.

London, Printed for *Edw. Husband*, Printer to the Honorable
House of Commons, and are to be sold at his Shop at the
Sign of the Golden Dragon in Fleetstreet, neer the
Inner-Temple, November 25. 1645.

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*To the Honorable, VV: Lenthall Esq;
Speaker of the House of Commons.*

SIR,

He last night I drew up
T these Forces with me be-
fore *Belvoyre* Castle, and
sending in a Summons,
the Governour returned me this An-
swer; Sir, I am no lesse distrustfull of
Providence then you are: and return
you Answer, That I was not placed
here by the King to surrender to Re-
bells; And for the effusion of blood
you mention, the crime will be your
own, not mine; Therefore I will not
give one inch of ground I am able to
maintain with my sword, against all
your attempts made against this place,
and your Servant *Fervace Lucas:*

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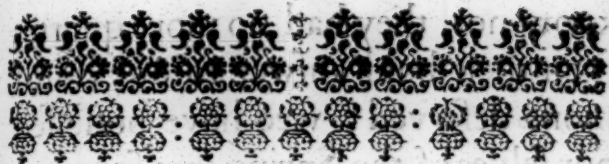
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whereupon my men being in readi-
 nesse, we stormed their works in four
 severall places, and after an hours dis-
 pute entred, and possessed our selves of
 all their VVorks and Stables, so that
 in a short time I hope to return you a
 good accompt of that place: I cannot
 as yet, hear any thing of the Foot or-
 dered to me out of the Eastern Garri-
 sons, so that my going against *Newmark*
 is much retarded thereby, and out of
York there is neither horse nor foot as
 yet appears: I shall, according to the
 trust reposed in me, use my best en-
 deavour for the Publique, and ever
 remain, Sir,

Botsford,
 21. Nov.

Your faithfull and
 humble Servant,

Sednam Poyntz.



SIR,

I Am extremely tired with the last nights storming, and being assured that you will have a more particular Relation from others, but I shall say thus much, the VVorks were the strongest I have scene in England, and gallantly defended, and our men at first discouraged so much, that the Generall, my self, and some other Officers were fain to keep the men at the VVorks with our swords: we had one Major and two Captains wounded, and two Ensignes killed; the number of Souldiers lost I yet know

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know not, they had no more quarter
then their bold answer to our Sum-
mons deserved: wee have possessed
our selves of the Spring that supplyes
them with water, and doubt not but
suddenly to reduce it. I am in haste,
and rest.

Your Servant,

Richard Sandys.

Botsford, 21. Nov.

1645.

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